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 For : ASSEMBLY SYSTEM FOR A PIPE COUPLING
 Examiner : Aaron M. Dunwoody
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 26, 2004,
 please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

(Column 1) (Column 2)

TOTAL CLAIMS	50	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	50 minus 20 = * 30	
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4 minus 3 = *	1
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		<input type="checkbox"/>

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

11/23/04 CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			<input type="checkbox"/>	

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X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL	

OTHER THAN OR. SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEES
BASIC FEE	750.00
X\$18=	\$40
X84=	84
+280=	
OR TOTAL	1374

SMALL ENTITY

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TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

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X84=	88
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OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

AMENDMENT B

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
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TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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+280=	
OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

AMENDMENT C

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
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+140=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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+280=	
OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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